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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on October 1, 2009. The inventory was one percent above October 1, 2008. The inventory included 6.42 million steers and steer calves, down one percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 4.01 million head, up four percent from 2008.

Placements in feedlots during September totaled 2.39 million, five percent above 2008. Net placements were 2.34 million head. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 490,000, 600-699 pounds were 450,000, 700-799 pounds were 593,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 855,000. Marketings of fed cattle during September totaled 1.75 million, four percent below 2008. This is the third lowest fed cattle marketings for the month of September since the series began in 1996. Other disappearance totaled 47,000 head during September, eight percent below 2008.

Cattle On Feed, Number Placed on Feed by Weight Groups, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots—United States

Month	Year	Less than 600 lbs	600-699 lbs	700-799 lbs	800+ lbs	Total
		(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
September	2008	445	415	541	880	2,281
August	2009	*435	395	*513	*770	*2,113
September	2009	490	450	593	855	2,388

* Revised

Cattle and Calves on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by State and United States

State	Number on feed September 1		Placed during September		Marketed during September		Other disappearance during September		Number on feed October 1	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)
Arizona.....	362	275	24	27	25	26	1	1	360	275
California.....	505	455	55	56	53	44	2	2	505	465
Colorado	770	860	255	260	150	155	5	5	870	960
Idaho	180	195	57	53	41	42	1	1	195	205
Iowa	470	510	81	105	75	94	1	1	475	520
Kansas.....	2,090	2,050	485	510	400	330	15	10	2,160	2,220
Nebraska.....	1,960	2,020	550	550	390	395	10	5	2,110	2,170
New Mexico.....	167	(D)	27	(D)	20	(D)	1	(D)	173	(D)
Oklahoma.....	305	325	60	80	49	48	1	2	315	355
South Dakota	165	185	56	52	44	41	2	1	175	195
Texas	2,580	*2,530	510	570	490	485	10	15	2,590	2,600
Washington	138	140	44	35	24	27	1	1	157	147
Other States ¹	305	*334	77	90	51	59	1	3	330	362
United States.....	9,997	*9,879	2,281	2,388	1,812	1,746	51	47	10,415	10,474

* Revised

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Other States include: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

Chicken and Eggs

Florida

Table egg production in Florida during September 2009 was 215 million eggs, one percent below the previous month. Total egg production was 219 million eggs compared to 216 million eggs the previous month.

United States

U.S. egg production totaled 7.37 billion during September 2009, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.34 billion table eggs, and 1.03 billion hatching eggs, of which 961 million were broiler-type and 69 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2009 averaged 334 million, down slightly from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,209 eggs, up one percent from September 2008.

All layers in the U.S. on October 1, 2009, totaled 335 million, up slightly from last year. The 335 million layers consisted of 279 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 52.4 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.88 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2009, averaged 73.4 eggs per 100 layers, unchanged from October 1, 2008.

Mid-month Table Egg Prices Received by Florida Egg Producers.

Month	Cents per dozen	
	2008	2009
January	134.0	90.0
February	130.0	65.0
March	135.0	63.0
April	97.0	85.0
May	68.0	46.0
June	88.0	43.0
July	68.0	50.0
August	78.0	59.0
September	90.0	59.0
October	83.0	
November	89.0	
December	85.0	

Percent of All Layers in Florida Being Molted and Molt Completed

	October 2008	September 2009	October 2009
Being molted ¹	6.5	8.0	4.5
Molt completed ¹	32.0	27.0	33.0

¹ As of first of month.

Layers and Egg Production for Selected States and United States: September 2009

Selected States	Average layers on hand	Eggs per 100 layers	Egg production				Layers ¹	
			Total	Table	Hatching	Year to date ¹	Being molted	Molt Completed
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(millions)	(millions)	(millions)	(millions)	(percent)	(percent)
Alabama	9,227	1,897	175	30	145	1,753	0.5	8.0
Arkansas	11,818	2,014	238	84	154	2,456	4.5	11.5
California	19,551	2,235	437			4,407	4.0	31.0
Florida	9,700	2,258	219	215	4	2,197	4.5	33.0
Georgia	17,176	2,119	364	197	167	3,713	3.0	13.5
Indiana	23,000	2,261	520	506	14	5,375	3.5	32.5
Iowa	53,901	2,215	1,194	1,181	13	12,017	3.5	30.5
Maine	3,487	2,208	77			750	0.0	0.0
Maryland	2,111	2,037	43	42	1	459	4.5	7.0
Michigan	10,022	2,325	233			2,314	3.5	17.5
Minnesota	10,242	2,255	231	223	8	2,300	3.5	28.5
Mississippi	5,507	2,016	111	32	79	1,203	2.0	10.5
Missouri	7,130	2,188	156			1,653	1.5	18.0
Nebraska	9,616	2,340	225	225	0	2,293	2.0	2.0
New York	4,006	2,371	95			993	0.0	7.5
North Carolina	12,617	1,997	252	130	122	2,617	2.0	8.0
Ohio	26,538	2,284	606			6,103	3.5	19.5
Pennsylvania	22,641	2,372	537	518	19	5,381	2.0	13.5
South Carolina	4,643	2,089	97	74	23	930	0.0	22.0
Texas	17,437	2,214	386			3,966	3.5	19.5
Virginia	3,150	2,000	63	29	34	605	2.0	17.0
Washington	6,172	2,236	138			1,409	10.0	32.5
Other States ²	43,921	2,223	974				5.3	23.0
United States ³	333,613	2,209	7,371	6,341	1,030	75,008	3.4	20.9

¹ As of October 1, 2009.

² Other States include: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

³ Production year begins June 1.

Hatchery Production

Florida

The September hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 3.28 million, was 27 percent below a year earlier. Broiler-type eggs in incubators on October 1, at 32.5 million, were nine percent below a year ago.

United States

Broiler-type chicks hatched during September 2009 totaled 739 million, down two percent from September 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 586 million on October 1, 2009, down three percent from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 6.72 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during September 2009, down two percent from September 2008.

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2009 totaled 40.0 million, up eight percent from September 2008. Eggs in incubators totaled 36.2 million on October 1, 2009, down slightly from a year ago.

Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 212 thousand during September 2009, up one percent from September 2008.

Hatchery Production - United States

Item	2008	2009	2009 % of 2008
	(1,000)	(1,000)	
Egg-Type			
Eggs in incubators: Oct 1	36,372	36,226	100
Chicks hatched during September.....	37,111	40,001	108
Pullets hatched during September for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	210	212	101
7-18 months earlier ¹	3,021	2,985	99
Broiler-Type			
Eggs in incubators: Oct 1	603,887	585,793	97
Chicks hatched during September.....	755,235	739,477	98
Pullets hatched during September for intended placements in hatchery supply flocks	6,886	6,719	98
7-15 months earlier ²	65,943	63,204	96

¹ 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched March 2008 through February 2009.

² 2009 includes pullet chicks hatched June 2008 through February 2009.

Milk Production

Florida dairy farms produced 137 million pounds of milk during September 2009, one percent below the previous September. Production per cow in September of 1,200 pounds was three percent above September of last year. Milk cow numbers on Florida dairy farms in September totaled 114,000, five percent below last year.

United States

Milk production in the 23 major States during September totaled 13.9 billion pounds, down 0.7 percent from September 2008. August revised production at 14.6 billion pounds, was down 0.1 percent from August 2008. The August revision represented an increase of 23 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,672 pounds for September, 22 pounds above September 2008. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.34 million head, 168,000 head less than September 2008, and 32,000 head less than August 2009.

Milk Cows and Production - Florida and United States

Month and year *	Milk Cows ¹	Monthly milk Production ²	
		Per cow	Monthly Total
	(1,000)	(pounds)	(million pounds)
Florida			
September 2008.....	120	1,160	139
August 2009.....	114	1,325	151
September 2009.....	114	1,200	137
23 Major States			
September 2008.....	8,510	1,650	14,041
August 2009.....	8,374	1,746	14,617
September 2009.....	8,342	1,672	13,949
United States			
September 2008.....	9,323	1,623	15,129
August 2009.....	9,162	1,718	15,743
September 2009.....	9,126	1,647	15,026

* August 2009 Revised.

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Milk Production by Quarters - United States

Month	Milk cows ¹		Milk per cow ²		Milk Production ²	
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009
	(1,000)	(1,000)	(pounds)	(pounds)	(million pounds)	(million pounds)
January-March	9,286	9,295	5,127	5,096	47,610	47,363
April-June	9,315	9,260	5,236	5,278	48,774	48,874
July-September....	9,330	9,159	5,025	5,105	46,881	46,758
October-December....	9,330		5,008		46,727	
Annual Total	9,315		20,396		189,992	

¹ Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk fed to calves.

Livestock Slaughter

Commercial red meat production in Florida for September 2009 was 8.7 million pounds, one percent above September 2008. Commercial production of red meat in the United States for September, at 4.26 billion pounds was slightly below September 2008.

Commercial Slaughter and Red Meat Production - Florida and United States

Source and kind	September 2008	August 2009	September 2009	Year to date 2008	Year to date 2009
Florida					
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	4.9	8.2	8.5	64.8	57.6
Total liveweight 1,000 pounds	622	951	1,039	8,406	8,324
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	0.5	0.3	0.4	2.2	3.0
Total liveweight (1,000 pounds	25	14	21	133	153
Red meat production million pounds ¹	8.6	9.0	8.7	75.0	75.8
United States					
Cattle:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	2,889.4	2,781.9	2,814.4	26,187.9	25,095.5
Total liveweight million pounds	3,737	3,587	3,677	33,278	32,270
Average liveweight pounds	1,297	1,293	1,311	1,275	1,290
Beef production million pounds	2,269.9	2,184.2	2,234.0	20,178.9	19,538
Calves:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	87.4	76.7	81.2	685.8	686.8
Total liveweight million pounds	22	18	20	178	171
Average liveweight pounds	251	234	244	263	252
Veal production million pounds	12.8	10.6	11.7	105.0	101.2
Hogs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	9,969.5	9,337.0	9,935.6	86,237.9	83,970.6
Total liveweight million pounds	2,646	2,500	2,679	23,041	22,688
Average liveweight pounds	266	268	270	267	270
Pork production million pounds	1,975.8	1,868.4	2,001.3	17,248.7	16,997.0
Sheep and Lambs:					
Head slaughtered 1,000 head	223.7	202.9	225.4	1,906.9	1,844.0
Total liveweight million pounds	29	27	29	261	258
Lamb and Mutton million pounds	14.5	13.3	14.8	130.5	126.4
Red meat production million pounds ¹	4,272.9	4,076.6	4,261.8	37,663.1	36,762.9

¹ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.